

Defendants.

## 21-CV-5324 (JMF) (JLC)

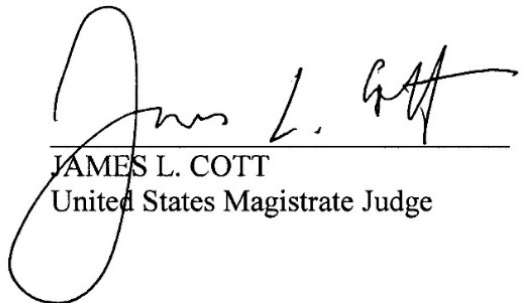
**JAMES L. COTT, United States Magistrate Judge.**

breaking into private session and speaking to the parties individually, as the technology the Court is using can facilitate breakout sessions with each side.

However, if all parties wish to have the Court provide a video platform (Microsoft Teams or Zoom) and not simply proceed telephonically, they may so advise the Court and the Court will then schedule a conference to discuss logistics. Alternatively, if all parties wish to proceed in person, they may write to the Court requesting an in-person conference. An in-person conference would be permitted only if all participants in the conference (attorneys, clients, and any interpreters) comply with the Court's most recent COVID-19 Protocol (available at <https://www.nysd.uscourts.gov/covid-19-coronavirus>). For avoidance of doubt, all parties must agree to proceeding by video conference or an in-person conference and make a joint application for the method that is preferred.

**SO ORDERED.**

Dated: August 5, 2021  
New York, New York



JAMES L. COTT  
United States Magistrate Judge